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**From:** Wieder, Jessica  
**Sent:** Fri 9/11/2015 1:24:39 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Gold King mine information

Hi Monica - Happy to help. We will start working on the last two questions.

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**From:** Lee, Monica  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 10, 2015 7:35 PM  
**To:** EOC Public Information; Grantham, Nancy; Allen, Laura; Gray, David  
**Subject:** FW: Gold King mine information

Working with the region on the first two questions, but looking to EOC/HQ for info on the 2<sup>nd</sup> two.  
**Deliberative Process/Ex. 5** Let me know if I should  
pull from Mathy's testimony or if there's something being prepared for the Administrator for next  
week.

Thanks.

**From:** Liz Flynn [mailto:Liz.Flynn@aljazeera.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 10, 2015 3:13 PM  
**To:** Lee, Monica  
**Subject:** RE: Gold King mine information

Hi Monica,

Below are a few questions we'd like to ask Regional Administrator Jared Blumenfeld. Ideally we'd like to do an on-camera interview with him on Monday, Sept. 14. We'll be in the Farmington, NM area on that

day. If he's not in the area that day, we could possibly arrange for a camera crew to meet him and conduct the interview.

-In your letter dated Sept 3 to President Begaye, you asked him about bringing your teams together for a meeting after Labor Day - has a meeting been planned?

-Through your sampling program - the EPA has determined the San Juan River water quality has returned to pre-release conditions. How do you address the Navajo Nation farmers who refuse to believe the water is usable?

-What are the EPA's next steps with respect to the San Juan River spill?

-What's the status of the Gold King Mine?

Thank you again in helping arrange a potential interview with Mr. Blumenfeld.

Take care,

Liz Flynn

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**From:** Lee, Monica [Lee.Monica@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 10, 2015 3:04 PM  
**To:** Liz Flynn  
**Subject:** Gold King mine information

Hi Liz –

Attached is a letter Regional Administrator Jared Blumenfeld sent to Navajo Nation President Begaye last Thursday. It outlines EPA and Navajo's progress on Gold King Mine, specifically noting the feedback the Navajo Attorney General gave confirming that the water in the EPA tanks met Navajo water quality standards.

Below is the most recent press release specifically addressing water quality in the San Juan.

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/epa-update-gold-king-mine-response-san-juan-river-data>

And this last link specifically addresses water quality affecting Navajo Nation:

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/epa-update-gold-king-mine-response-navajo-nation-additional-data-public-records>

Let me know if there are other questions I can answer.

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